In particular, Baroness Cox will be visiting Oakland University in Michigan's 9th District where she will lecture and celebrate the University's Institute for Research, Education & Advocacy for Children's Health-R.E.A.C.H. The mission of R.E.A.C.H. furthers and embodies the life's work of Baroness Cox. Using her formal educational training in nursing, sociology and economics, Baroness Cox has been a prolific author and advocate of human rights around the globe. The Humanitarian Relief Trust which she established in 2005 provides resources, aid and training to peoples living in extreme poverty and under oppression. She is known for her personal and hands-on work targeting the "no-go" areas of the world to provide humanitarian aid and relief. Though she spends nearly half her time on international missions, she cherishes her role in the British Parliament as the "voice of the voiceless."

Baroness Cox, I welcome you to Michigan's 9th District and salute your untiring and steadfast commitment to improving the human condition in some of the most challenging areas of the world—Sudan, Burma, Nigeria and East Timor, among others. We are fortunate that you have so ardently acted on your "inherent tendency" to help others and made it your life's mission. Your wise admonition to us all rings as true today as ever, "We can't do everything . . . however, we can all do something."

HONORING THE LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN AMERICAN CITI-ZENS (LULAC) COUNCIL #10

## HON. BRUCE L. BRALEY

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) Council #10 from Davenport, Iowa on their 50th anniversary.

LULAC Council #10 was established in 1959 to support the strong, multi-generational Latino community that has thrived in Davenport and broader Quad Cities area since the early 1900s. The Council #10 founders' goals were to advance the economic conditions, educational attainment, political participation, housing, health and civil rights of Latino families and workers. At that time it was not uncommon for local businesses to discriminate against Latino workers, and many Latino children were falling behind in school because their English skills were not adequate. Despite these challenges the Latino population made great strides in the Quad Cities community while preserving their culture and values.

Since its inception, LULAC Council #10 has worked with local school districts to create bilingual education opportunities and English as a Second Language programs. These programs have been so successful that they are now used to help the growing Vietnamese student population in Davenport. Council #10 maintains a local scholarship program to give Latino students opportunities to continue their education. The club hosts a senior meal program, organizes multiple festivals celebrating Latino cultures, and works tirelessly with local

unions and employers to avert discrimination in the workplace.

Madam Speaker, LULAC Council #10 has a proud history and its members have made great contributions to Davenport and our country. I congratulate Council #10 on their 50th anniversary.

HONORING THE TOWN OF CULPEPER, VIRGINIA ON ITS 250TH ANNIVERSARY

## HON. ERIC CANTOR

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. CANTOR. Madam Speaker, I am proud to recognize the Town of Culpeper as it celebrates its 250th anniversary this Friday, April 24th, 2009.

The Town of Culpeper is located at the eastern base of the Blue Ridge Mountains in the Piedmont River Valley. It has a legendary history that dates clear back to the American Revolution when a group of local residents organized themselves as the Culpeper Minute Men Battalion in 1775 and were called upon to fight in the Revolution and throughout campaigns in the 19th and 20th Centuries. Both Confederate and Union troops occupied the Town during the Civil War. In fact, during the winter of 1863 and 1864, more than 100,000 Union troops occupied the town as its strategic railroad location made it an important supply station for both Confederate and Union troops. The town witnessed more than 100 battles during the war and many homes were used for military housing and hospitals.

After the Civil War, the Town of Culpeper grew to become a thriving regional marketing hub. Even today the town continues to evolve. With a population of approximately 15,000, it has rebuilt itself to become a Virginia Main Street Community with a lively historic downtown. It was even named once as one of "America's Top 10 Small Towns." While Culpeper was originally built as an agricultural economy, today it is an important crossroad for business.

Culpeper residents will celebrate and honor the town's heritage and 250 years of history with events and activities throughout the year, including a historic costume ball, picnics and parades.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the citizens of Culpeper as they celebrate the town's anniversary and wishing them the best for their continued growth and success.

RECOGNIZING PAOLA GRULLON

## HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Mr. TIBERI. Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to congratulate Paola Grullon for receiving the Charles J. Ping Award. This outstanding accomplishment is a result of Paola's hard work and dedication to serving her community.

This honor is awarded to undergraduate students who exemplify leadership in their communities and boast a record of outstanding achievements in service. This is the fifth consecutive year that a student from Ohio Wesleyan University has received the Ping Award. This is proof of the University's commitment to conveying the importance of service-learning to their students.

Paola Grullon is a member of Ohio Wesleyan University's Class of 2010. Paola recently completed an internship with Delaware's Woodward Family Resource Center, and organization that provides outreach opportunities for the city's Hispanic community members. As a pre-med major from the Dominican Republic, Ms. Grullon has created a strong support network for Delaware's Hispanic community by helping people with translations for numerous medical and utility services, government benefit services and child care assistance.

In addition to her work with the Woodward Family Resource Center, Ms. Grullon volunteers with Grace Free Clinic and St. Mary's Church. Paola has led fellow students from Ohio Wesleyan on spring break volunteer experiences, inspiring other students to follow her example of leadership and service.

I am pleased to commend Paola Grullon on this wonderful achievement as well as Ohio Wesleyan University for encouraging serviceminded students to give back to Central Ohio communities.

COMCAST CARES DAY

## HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Thursday,\ April\ 23,\ 2009$ 

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the more than 1,200 employees from Broward and Miami-Dade Counties who will volunteer to benefit Samuel Delevoe Park and Oleta River State Park on Saturday, April 25th for Comcast Cares Day.

Volunteers and their families will join together to landscape facility grounds, paint and enhance two of Florida's parks. This event will mark the eighth annual company-wide day of service.

Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to commend Comcast and its employees for their service to our community at a time when our nation faces enormous challenges.

Families are losing jobs, health care, and other key services. Our public needs are growing while our resources for meeting them are disappearing.

As a mother of three young children, I believe that service is the lifeblood of this country.

Volunteers can play many roles. They teach in our classrooms; clean up our waterways, roads and parks; care for the elderly; and feed the hungry. All the while, they learn valuable skills that will help them throughout their lives.

I hope that the selfless actions of the Comcast employees and their families will serve as an inspiration for other Americans to enrich their own lives by helping others and giving back to their communities.